For Immediate Release

February 22, 2011

Carthage, N.C., At 7:00 a.m. this morning, the Carthage Fire Department was dispatched to a fire at Friend to Friend Family Crisis Center.

Upon arrival of the fire department, there was fire on the second floor of the home, coming out of the windows on the left side of the building. The fire was under control by 7:50 a.m. and the investigation continued until 1 p.m. There was nobody inside the building at the time of the fire, although there were two families currently residing in the building. The American Red Cross is assisting these families to find an alternate place to stay.

The investigation is being conducted by the Moore County Fire Marshal's Office and Carthage Police Department. The cause of the fire is still under investigation. Units on scene were Carthage, Cypress Pointe, Eastwood, High Falls, Seven Lakes Fire Departments, Carthage Rescue, and Moore County EMS.

Contact Bryan Lyczkowski (Assistant Fire Marshal) at 910 947-6317.

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